

The recent actions of Sinclair Broadcasting are the most blatant example of fascism to surface in recent years, and illustrate the critical need to make the laws governing the ownership of mass media even stronger - not weaker, as has recently been attempted.

Sinclair's decision to force their stations to air an anti-Kerry documentary days before the election is a clear example of the dangers of media consolidation.

Here's another example of why media consolidation rules need to be STRONGER and ENFORCED. Clear Channel Communications owns only about 10% of all radio stations, but they own the right 10%. They actually control drive-time programming in major media markets reaching over 50% of the 18-to-45 demographic. I don't care that it's Rush Limbaugh and his ilk that are doing the brainwashing for Clear Channel, I'd still be angry if it were Al Franken and Air America (and a lot of conservatives would suddenly be upset about all this, too). Either way, it represents fascism.

Sincerely,  
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